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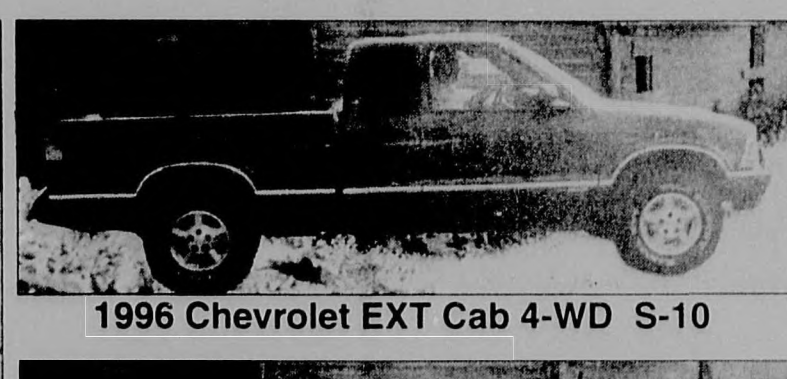
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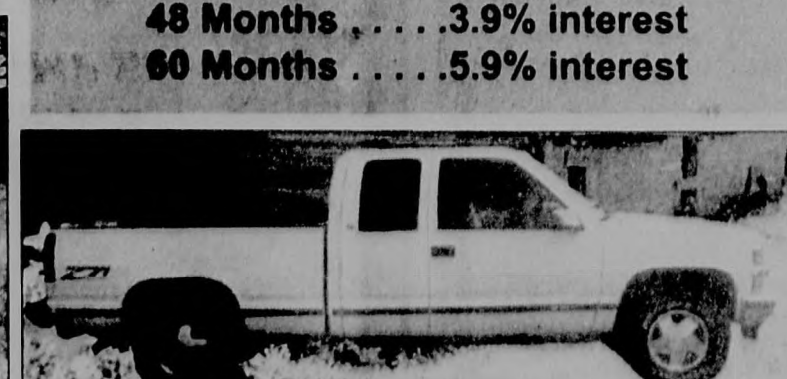
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Commissioners' express concerns on jail maintenance

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

The bi-monthly meeting of the Coffee County Commission, with a short meeting agenda and not very talkative commissioners, lasted less than thirty minutes Monday morning.

The only item on the agenda was under the heading of "new business" and that was Coffee County

Sheriff Ben Moates, or his representative, for the purpose of discussing the maintenance conditions at the county jail.

Sheriff Moates nor a representative was at the meeting at the appointed time; however, a call to the jail resulted in Jail Administrator Zack Ennis coming to the commission and giving a report to the commissioners.

"We've still got a few problems that we're working on at the jail," said Ennis.

He reported that maintenance personnel are coming down to the jail each day for four hours working on on-going maintenance problems.

"We're improving on day-to-day maintenance; however, we are having problems getting in parts for commodities, etc.," said Ennis. "Over-

all, since we had the last meeting it's coming along... it's working out real well."

Commissioner Robert Stephens made a motion that the maintenance department report on the condition (maintenance wise) of the county jail at the first commission meeting in each month. He also invited any representative of the sheriff's department to do the same. Stephens' motion seconded by Commissioner Kayo Lewis passed by a unanimous vote.

During the general business session from commissioners, Commissioner Stephens requested that the budget appropriation to the forestry department for the purchase of fire fighting equipment be increased by \$200.

He explained that the equipment to be purchased costs \$200 more than was expected. The commission concurred with the request and approved the increase.

Stephens also made a formal motion for the hiring of the temporary "deputy solid waste enforcement officers." They are: Richard Patterson, Bo Sauls, Jack McIntosh, and Henry Clark. The commission approved the temporary hires.

Administrator Mobley gave the commission a report on the temporary solid waste enforcement officers' activities since they were hired on November 20th. He stated that as of December 7, a total of 34 citations have been issued for various residences. Of this total, 49 were found or determined to be abandoned, vacant or the structure was for sale. The commission officer has received 123 responses - called in to verify compliance or requested an application for garbage collection service - 35 have returned their enrollment since Nov. 29.

"They [temporary enforcement officers] are working diligently working to find these people that are out of compliance," said Mobley.

In other business, the commission, at the recommendation of the landfill committee, granted credit to Circle J, a disposal company located in Troy, for use of the county's landfill.

County Administrator Wilson Mobley asked that the commission send out bid requests for a new server and the appropriate software for the computer system used by the Revenue Commissioner's mapping.

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NOTICE

Veterans who have been laid off by Dorsey Trailers or any other business and do not have any medical insurance may be eligible for medical care in the VA Healthcare System. For more information, please contact the local Veterans Affairs Office, in Coffee County, contact Robert Lolley at 894-5858 or drop by the office located in the Coffee County Office Complex in New Brockton.

Area Happenings

CHRISTMAS STORY TIME. The Elba Public Library will be sponsoring Christmas Story Time on Tuesday, December 19, 2000. Children ages 4 through 8 years old are asked to come at 4:30 and stay until 5:00 p.m. Children ages 9 through 11 years old are asked to come at 5:00 p.m. and stay until 5:30. It has been requested that this group of children bring with them a green 2 liter bottle cap with no writing on it.

NEW YEARS EVE DINNER PLANNED. On Saturday night, Dec. 30, the Elba Chamber of Commerce will host a New Year's Eve dinner party at National Security's Conference Center beginning at 7 p.m. Prime Rib with all the trimmings will be served. Space is limited, so call the Chamber office today at 897-3125 to make reservations. The cost of the event is \$25 per person.

THE COFFEE COUNTY LAKE will be open on Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays during the month of December.

Elba City Council holds two-in-one meeting

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council held both December meetings Monday evening, clearing the way for all to enjoy the Christmas holidays.

At the recommendation of Mayor James Grimes the council tabled any discussion on revising the hunting inside the city limits ordinance and the election of city school board members.

Monthly bills totaling \$15,812.61 were approved for payment. These included \$2412.49 for vehicle repairs and maintenance; \$1350.00 quarterly dues on the NCIC computer in the police department and \$1414.87 for street patching asphalt mix.

The council then adjourned for about five minutes and reconvened for the second legally required monthly meeting.

Bids were approved on the purchase of a TV camera system to inspect city owned sewer lines. Two bids were received, with the lowest being \$23,566. The system will have two cameras, one for the larger collector sewer lines and a smaller one for the feeder lines.

The council formally accepted the recommendation of the Elba Volunteer Fire Department and named Larry Goodson as Fire Chief and Dennis Manning as Assistant Fire Chief.

Mayor Grimes told council members he wasn't ready to present the

new emergency ambulance service contract with EMS to the city council. He promised to try to get the contract ready as soon as possible.

Grimes reminded council members that the annual city employee Christmas party will be held on December 14th and that over 200 employees and dependents are already signed up to attend.

City Clerk Donnie Morrow told Councilman L. M. Burch that the city engineer had been in touch with the contractor on the Martin Luther King Drive project and a change order will be issued to correct the ditch problems. Morrow added that the change order will include sodding grass on the banks of the ditch.



Pictured above (l-r) are: Probate Judge William Gammill, Annette Griswold, Robin McKinnon, and Scotty Hunko.

act on them at the next meeting.

Dr. Linda Ingram reviewed with board members the State Report Card for the Coffee County School System as a whole and each of the schools - Zion Chapel, New Brockton and Kinston - individually. A copy of the school's report card will be sent out to all parents along with the students' report card.

Board members also received copies for their review and Dr. Ingram made herself available for any questions that they may have after reviewing the documents.

The following personnel changes were approved. Marie Ellison's retirement as a bus driver for Zion Chapel was accepted effective December 1, 2000. Cathy White was reinstated as a full-time migrant clerk effective January 4, 2001.

Finally, the board went into a brief executive session; however, no action was taken after reconvening.

The next regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the county board of education will be held on Thursday, January 11, 2001, at the Central Office in Elba.

MacArthur Tech to hold meeting for displaced Dorsey Trailers employees

On Thursday (TODAY), Dec. 14, at 9 a.m., MacArthur State Technical College will be conducting a meeting for displaced Dorsey Trailer employees. The meeting will be held in the Student Center, which is located behind the Administration Building on Highway 331 North of Opp.

The College has received many inquiries from persons interested in enrollment. According to MacArthur Interim President Wayne Bennett, "The College is committed to helping former Dorsey employees retrain and reenter the workforce." In an effort to assist, MacArthur will have information concerning all seventeen courses of study available at the meeting. Those present will have the opportunity to participate in

guided tours through each department and speak on-one-on with instructors.

MacArthur has been informed that displaced Dorsey Trailer employees will be qualified for training benefits through the Workforce Investment Act (WIA).

Spring semester orientation is Jan. 2, 2001. "I would strongly encourage all former employees to attend this informative meeting to explore training and career options," Bennett said. Any displaced Dorsey Trailer employee interested in training opportunities, should attend this important meeting. Those who are unable to attend the meeting would like additional information may contact Susan Dee at 493-3573, ext. 260.



IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS...The merchants of Elba, in hopes of making Christmas a little brighter for a deserving family, presented a check for \$142.36 to a representative from the Department of Human Resources, Judy Melo. There was an indication that possibly more would be added to that total. Making the presentation on behalf of the merchants to Judy Melo (right) was Jimmy Harrison (left) and Pearl Reeves (center). The monies will be used to purchase food and toys.

State Representative Terry Spicer receives appointment from Speaker

On Nov. 14, Representative Terry Spicer, Coffee County District 91, received notification from the Speaker of the House, Seth Hammett, Covington County, appointed him as chairperson of the House State Government Committee's Subcommittee on Personal Management. His appointment to the Personnel Management Subcommittee was effective immediately.

"I am very honored to receive this appointment from Speaker Hammett," said Rep. Spicer. "The chairmanship of the committee should provide additional opportunities to increase productivity levels and efficiency in state government. I look forward to working on issues that face employees of the State of Alabama."

In addition to this appointment, Spicer also serves as Vice-Chair-



Rep. Terry Spicer

Charges of assault/domestic violence dismissed against Elba police officer

Elba police officer Anthony Dozier has been cleared of pending charges of assault in the third degree by the Coffee County District Court which convened on December 5, 2000.

Officer Dozier, age 35, a resident of 104 Westfield Road, Enterprise, was arrested on October 24, 2000, on the charge of 3rd degree assault - domestic abuse. His arrest came as a result of a complaint filed by Yvonne N. Daniels, of 411 Co. Rd. 353, Elba. In the complaint Ms. Daniels alleged that Dozier, "On or about October 16, with intent to cause physical injury, choked her, hit her, pushed her down...picked her up above his head and refused to put her down."

According to Dozier's attorney, Sydney Albert (Al) Smith, the case was heard in district court in spite of affidavits filed with the Court by the complainant wanting to drop the charges. The prosecution of the case, under the "Domestic Violence Law," was assumed by the office of Attorney General Bill Pryor from 12th Judicial Circuit District Attorney Mark Fuller.

After hearing sworn testimony by the complainant in open court, District Judge Steven Blair dismissed the charges against Dozier. Again, according to Dozier's attorney, both Dozier and the com-

plaintant stated that they thought the matter was over and done with, and didn't understand why they were in court after affidavits were signed to

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NEWS BRIEF

Shortly before noon Monday, the body of an Ozark woman was found in a vehicle parked in an isolated field in the Shiloh Community. The woman, identified by authorities as Annette B. Young, 32, of 209 Cherry Dr., Ozark, had been missing since Friday. The vehicle and woman was located by the landowner and a hunter who notified the Elba Police Department. An autopsy will be performed to determine the cause of death. No foul play is suspected. The incident is being investigated by the Coffee County Sheriff's Department, the Coroner's Office, the District Attorney's Office, and the Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences. The Elba and Ozark police departments are assisting in the investigation.

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Heddy and I were in Tallahassee last Saturday, but not to count any ballots with pregnant chads or anything else to do with deciding the intent of unidentified and/or unknown voters. In fact, Downtown Tallahassee, the state capitol, state supreme court, etc., are all South of I-10 and all of our business was conducted North of the interstate. Ironically some of the folks in town for that same wedding did drive into the area to see what was happening and maybe buy a certain memento which some smart American capitalist was selling at a brief clip. They were disappointed on both counts. The memento seller had taken the day off and the only activity was a bunch of news media folks standing around telling jokes and waiting. What those Yankees didn't understand was that what they see on CNN is a few minutes of activity, filmed from several different directions and replayed and replayed and that most of the reporters' time around such events is spent standing and waiting.

Probably the highlight of our trip, of course aside from the excitement of attending the wedding of a nephew (and of course having THE granddaughter of all granddaughters with us), was seeing and being in that old, old 1830 (Methodist) church. The membership of the church has preserved the building and furnishing. You feel you are stepping back into time when you enter the doors. Even though the church is in Tallahassee, they have somehow preserved the wooded setting to the point there is only a dirt road leading to the grounds and enough wooded buffer area that you don't see modern day America nor hear any of the thousands of cars and trucks moving up and down the highways and byways honking horns, squealing tires, etc.

The U. S. Supreme Court ruling this week dealing with arbitration says Alabama consumers can't refuse to arbitrate a contract they agreed to and signed. Our immediate reaction was that this would increase the pressure to have the law changed, but apparently that is wrong. A news release from Alabama Voters Against Lawsuit Abuse (AVALA) Tuesday afternoon hailed the Monday decision as "a righteous ruling." Maybe in a day or so those who pushed this issue to the point of defeating several good Alabama Democratic Supreme Court justices in the November elections and are now pushing for legislative change in this area will issue their response. Putting the two sides by side may give us slower thinkers some help in forming our own opinions on the matter.

We are still getting e-mail messages on where to send our donations to the campaigns of the two major political parties fighting for the presidency, mostly from the Republican side. This week there has been a slight change in the plea from the Republicans. It is now time to donate (limit \$5,000 per person, \$10,000 per couple) to the presidential transition team fund . . . fully tax deductible. This is because the mean of Clinton administration will not give Governor Bush the federal tax money he feels is necessary to carry out the work of the transition team. The administration quotes some dumb law about not giving the money out until they know exactly who will be the next president.

At press deadline time Tuesday night the U. S. Supreme Court has not issued a ruling in the case of the undercounted Florida ballots (or so they claim) as scheduled from the Florida Courts. This comes as somewhat of a surprise, as they issued their stay on the vote count immediately, set a rush deadline for briefs from both sides, heard oral arguments quickly and projected deadlines for a ruling from where they have passed several times. In case you haven't heard, we are in the ever growing percentage that want this thing over with very soon (like now), regardless of which one is the ultimate victor president. It is even past the point of counting all the votes, disallowing some illegal votes, deciding the intent of the voter, etc., just let the Supreme Court declare something solid and let's move on.

There is very little fresh news dealing with Dorsey Trailers and/or the laid off employees of the bankrupt company, but a few people (about 20) caught in the lay-off did get recalled to work this week. Their mission is to finish some trailers which were already on the line and substantially built. Those 20 are probably thankful for every hour of productive work they can get.

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From The House...

by Congressman Terry Everett

CONGRESS COULD STILL DECIDE NEXT PRESIDENT

Until recently, the possibility that Congress could be forced to decide the next president and vice president was discussed only in the hypothetical and not taken very seriously. However, given the bizarre and unpredictable twists of this year's presidential election vote count, nothing seems far-fetched anymore.

There has been plenty of national attention placed upon the role of Congress in this year's presidential contest, but very little on what role the House and Senate might play should there be a problem with the Electoral College. As you already know, the Constitution directs that the president is to be determined by the number of electors cast by each state. Each state is assigned electors based on its respective number of U.S. Senators (two each) and U.S. House members.

The 12th Amendment of the Constitution requires that winning candidates receive an absolute majority vote of the whole number of electors. The total electoral votes needed to win is 270. While this seems straight forward, there are possible obstacles. Take for example, the current question over the final certification of Florida's 25 electors.

All electors must meet on December 18 in their state capitols

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department,

beginning Monday, December 4, 2000, investigated the following incidents: one report of city property, one property damage (auto); two assaults, one harassing communication, one missing person, three harassments, three thefts (one by a vehicle), one damage of a fire plug, and one burglary.

The following arrests were made:

one for failure to pay and two for

failure to appear.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: one for an expired tag, two for driver's license not in possession, three driving while driver's license is suspended, six for non insurance, nine for speeding, six for violation of seat belt law, one for driving while driver's license is revoked, and one for lack of proof of insurance.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4 -

River stage - 2:18 (6:16 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Neil Grantham Drive (9:51 a.m.); Minor wreck reported on U.S. Hwy 84W (4:12 p.m.).

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5 -

River stage - 2:98 (6:29 a.m.); Routine activity.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6 -

River stage - 2:18 (6:16 a.m.); Burglary reported at a residence on Hickman Avenue (7:57 a.m.); Routine activity.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7 -

Alarm at Hardee's (4:14 a.m.); River stage - 2:61 feet (6:21 a.m.); Fire department dispatched to a gas leak on Gray Street (12:18 p.m.).

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8 -

River stage - 2:78 feet (6:20 a.m.); Minor wreck (vehicle vs deer) on Highland Drive (5:27 p.m.); Routine activity.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9 -

River stage - 2:11 (6:35 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Smith Avenue (7:51 a.m.); Routine activity.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 -

River stage - 2:77 feet (6:30 a.m.); Fire department dispatched to a vehicle fire on Sunset Blvd. (1:04 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Co. Rd. 205 (2:39 p.m.).

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Persons discharged during the time period were: Tyler Dawson, Brandon Dawson, Lyndell Carter, Juanita Whitfield, Fred Cox, Paul Smart, Julia Harper, Lila Johnson, James Armistead, Lou Killingsworth, Dennis Cardwell, Ruth Bryant, Maggie Boutwell, April McAllister, Ocie Phillips, Timothy Williams, McAlra Leverett, Christy Pugh, Ida Mauldin, Angel Whitfield, Charlotte Blackmon, Mary Bryant, Annie Ellis, Lenna Brundidge, Roger Tice, and Ollie Hussey.

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elect the president. If the House is not able to do so in that time frame, the new vice president, just elected by the Senate, would serve as acting president until the House could reach a decision. Suppose the deadlock went even further. If the Senate similarly reaches a stalemate, the Speaker of the House, Dennis Hastert (R-IL) would assume temporary duties as president. If he cannot serve, the President Pro-tempore of the Senate, Strom Thurmond (R-SC) would become temporary president.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of December 4, 2000 through December 10, 2000. They were: Hollis Wicker, Ocie Phillips, Lila Johnson, Ida Mauldin, Duval Wise, James Armistead, Christy Pugh, McAlra Leverett, April McAllister, Mary Bryant, Timothy Williams, Annie Ellis, Dale Tice, Agnes Dixon, Charlotte Blackmon, Angel Wicker, Lenna Brundidge, Manual Weeks, Lyndell Carter, Juanita Whitfield, Brandon Dawson, Tyler Dawson, Annie Slawson, Thomas Spivey, Jimmy Morris, Shannon Catrett, Harvey Sasser, Ollie Hussey, Joel Kelley, Inez Hussey, Marshall Smith.

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CHURCH

Elba United Methodist Church chancel choir to present the musical, "The Wonder of Christmas" December 16th

The Elba United Methodist Chancel Choir will present the musical, "The Wonder of Christmas," written by Tom Fette & Ken Bible, this Sunday during the morning worship service at 10:00 a.m. There will also be various solos rendered by choir members.

Rev. John I. Baxter, minister and Greg Wilson, minister of music, would like to invite everyone to attend.

Elba United Methodist Church is located downtown at the corner of Davis and Yelverton St.

The musical "The Greatest Gift is Jesus" to be presented at Mt. Olive Baptist Church

The children and youth of Mt. Olive Baptist Church will present a Christmas celebration, "The Greatest Gift is Jesus," on Sunday evening, Dec. 17, at 6 p.m. The miracle in Bethlehem will come alive as the shepherds and wise men gather around Mary and Joseph with Jesus in a lowly manger. Come and hear the song the angels sang so long ago. Special music selections will be performed by Job Bowers, Jerry Dubose, Tiffany Bass, Kim Hollinghead, Arrian Bowers, Amanda Mauldin and Ashley Walden.

Everyone is invited to attend this joyous celebration of the birth of the Savior, Jesus Christ. Mt. Olive Baptist Church is located in the Pine Level Community of Elba.

Veterans could be eligible for medical insurance through VA System

Veterans who have been laid off by Dorsey Trailers or any other business and do not have any medical insurance may be eligible for medical care in the VA Healthcare System. For more information, please contact the local Veterans Affairs Office. In Coffee County, contact Robert Lolley at 894-5858 or drop by the office located in the Coffee County Office Complex in New Brockton.



BILLY AND ALEXANDER DRIGGERS announce the birth of their new baby brother, Jayden Marshall. Jayden was born Dec. 2, 2000 at Enterprise Medical Center. He weighed 6 lbs. 7 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long.

The trio are the sons of Billy and Bridget Driggers. Grandparents are Ricky and Linda Berry and Bill and JoAnne Driggers, all of Elba, and Mary Pelletier of Long Beach, Calif.

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Round And About With Eria 897-2006



Scripture: Genesis 43:34

***Thinking of you, praying for you: Rev. Henry Ewing Jr., Rev. Charles Lane, Rev. Roderick Rideaux, John E. Folmar, Roxie Porter, Annie M. Balkum, Elma Hammond, Lovie Hooks, Mary Alice Blue, Versie Barnes, Pearl Mincey, Johanne Daniels, Bessie Williams, Lawrence Bryant

***December Birthdays: Gladys Smith - Dec. 19; Grover Belcher Sr. - Dec. 23 (In Memory Of); Mary Nell Harris - Dec. 25; Shane Williams - Dec. 25

***Mary Alice Hooks' 83rd Birthday Celebration will be Saturday, Dec. 16, at 12 p.m., formal luncheon and birthday celebration, home of Mary Alice Hooks, Elba, at 4 p.m.; Happy Birthday and commemorative program, Rocky Head Baptist Church; Special guests: Eastern Star and Mason. Greetings: Words of Appreciation by children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren; Sunday, Dec. 17, 11 a.m., worship service at Rocky Head Baptist Church; 2 p.m. Dinner at the home of Mary Alice Hooks.

***Praise and Worship Services to be held at the Southeast District Singing Convention Building

in Elba on Sunday, Dec. 17, at 6:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Minister Ramen Hines, Nazareth Baptist Church, Opp. ***Benefit Program for Richard L. Singletary on Friday, Dec. 15, at 7:30 p.m. at the New Philadelphia Church in the Shiloh Community of Elba. Everyone is cordially invited to come share in the program! Funds set up at SouthTrust Bank.

***Mission Minded Women's Conference will be held at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in the Tarentum Community of Brundidge on Saturday, Jan. 6, at 9 a.m.

***Pre-Christmas Dinner - The Women's Progressive Club of Elba celebrated their annual Pre-Christmas Dinner and Program at the Elba Zion Missionary Baptist Church on Dec. 9 beginning at 1 p.m.

This club is really progressing. The program consisted of devotion, solos, hymns, prayers, songs, welcome, occasion and expressions. The dinner was great. Food, food, and more food. Everyone had a good time and everything was done decently and in order. The officers are: Doris Watts, president and treasurer; Bessie

Coon, vice-president; Mary S. Dawson, secretary; Shirley Coleman, recording secretary; Eva Miller, chaplain. Other members include: Jewel Kate Youngblood, Lucile Wade, Mattie Daniels, Annette Brunson and Ruth Shipman.

***Minister Joyce Belcher Johnson, Tusculum, Ala., visited Eria Lindsey Belcher, Elba, and other family members on Sunday evening, Dec. 10. She also attended the first sermon of Bro. Roderick Rideaux, Elba, at Rocky Head MB Church.

Today is a good day, be grateful! Happy Holidays!!

Eria

BIBLE VERSE

"But I say to you who hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you. Bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you."

Luke 6:27-28

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<p>ALBERT BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Sam Totten, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH Darryl Caldwell, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Class: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH E. H. Hill, Minister Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Robert Paul, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Benoit Abbott, Pastor Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST E. H. Hill, Minister Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. William Frank, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Dorcas Miller, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>EANON BAPTIST CHURCH Bernard Strickland, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST Randy Neal, Minister Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD J. E. Wesley, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Hon. F. Moore, Pastor Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Robert Paul, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Rev. John I. Baxter, Pastor Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FATH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH Dandy Sherris, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON Denny Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS AND MISTERS PASTOR Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Willie L. Peterson, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Rev. John I. Baxter, Pastor Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Shirley Ellis, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HERBON BAPTIST CHURCH Rick Hayes, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD Wesley D. Ard, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>INO BAPTIST CHURCH Gerry Winstead, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Rev. Stephen Dubose, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:15 p.m.</p>	<p>KINSTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH John Freeman, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Class: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>MULBERRY LITS. CHURCH OF CHRIST R. B. Williams, Minister Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Class: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION Mary Seay, Pastor Sunday Morn. Service: 10:30 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. Hiram L. Linds Williams, Ministers Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Even: 7:00 p.m. Wed. Even: 7:30 p.m. Fri. Even: 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEWBRIA BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Wayne Webber Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Ben McKee, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Albert Smith, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH A. R. Williams, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Ben Amingo, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Walter Faulk, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Even Serv: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH J. C. Turner, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Loreal Flowers, Minister Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD Rev. Keith Price, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>PRAYSE & GLORY WORSHIP CEN. Betty Morris, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH A. R. Williams, Pastor Sunday School: 11:30 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:30 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. E. L. Flowers, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>SHADY GROVE A.M.E. Jimmy Maddox, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH Larry Wise, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet: 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor Rev. Silas Mauldin Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Night Service: 7:00 p.m. Friday Prayer Meeting: 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD Ron Stillard, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH John D. Johnson, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH Dr. Tony Dye, Pastor Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH Bruce Williams, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Kenneth Hagler, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Alfred Baker, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Mike Medley, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Nathan Johnson, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p>
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LIFESTYLES

Johnson-Rhoades united in marriage Saturday, September 16th

Miss Tiffany Shae Rhoades and Mr. Kiep Johnson were united in marriage Saturday, September 16, 2000, at six o'clock p.m. at the Ino Baptist Church in Kinston. Rev. Garry Winstead officiated the candlelight ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rhoades of Kinston. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bowden Sessions of Samsom and Mrs. Ernestine Rhoades and the late Carlton E. Rhoades of Kinston.

Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Rene Johnson of Opp. The groom's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hattaway of Opp and Mrs. Dot Wall of Pensacola, Fla. A program of wedding music was presented by Miss Joy Davis, pianist, Mrs. Nyoka Bowdoin, a friend, directed the wedding. Her father gave the bride in marriage. She wore a princess line gown of white Italian satin. The round neckline had a simplicity enhancement. The top of the shirt was adorned with Swarovski crystals and lace. The back of the gown featured a deep V cut and was accented with satin covered buttons. The skirt was an elegant overlay of tulle with detailed crystals and lace, and cascaded into a chapel length train. The bride also wore a delicate headpiece of pearls and crystals. Attached to the headpiece was a two-tiered veil of tulle. She carried a nosegay of white roses accented with sheer iridescent Angelique ribbon.

Serving as maid of honor was Miss Suzanne Rhoades, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Misses Amy Jones, Erin Musgrove, Amanda Nobles and Mrs. Anna Morris of Elba and Miss Abby Johnson, cousin of the groom, of Opp. The flower girl was Miss Audrey Claire Faulk, cousin of the bride, of Dothan. She wore a white dress with lace and pearls. The maid of honor and bridesmaids wore celery green gowns made of satin and an overlay of tulle. The fitted bodice was strapped neckline and v-front overlay accented with a bow in the back. The gathered skirt was satin with an overlay of tulle. The bride wore a princess A-line gown with a straight neck-line with small straps. The attendants carried a long stemmed pale pink tulip accented a white satin and lace ribbon.

Mr. Rene Johnson, father of the groom, and Henry Hattaway, grandfather of the groom, served as best men. Groomsmen were Eric Rhoades, brother of the bride, of Kinston, Jason Mikel and Ryan Kidd, friends of the groom, of Opp. Ushers were Britt Grimes, cousin of the groom, of Elba, and Mr. Mike Mitchell, uncle of the groom, of Opp.

The double front doors of the church were decorated with sprays of a variety of greenery and spring flowers with white ribbon. Lanterns at each side of the front entrance were accented with white ribbon and tulle. Mrs. Tara Griffin, cousin of the bride, registered the guests as they entered the church.

The sanctuary was adorned with an elegant spring flower arrangement, large palm fronds and Boston ferns. Large columns held the oversized three wick candles and on each side were accented with focal gold candelabras arranged with spring flowers. The center of the prayer rail was graced with tulle and a tulle bow. The family pews were decorated with bows of white ribbon, tulle, and spring flowers.

Following the ceremony, the bride's parents were hosts of a reception held at the home of the bride. As the guests arrived, they viewed the beautiful sunset in the background. The dining tables were decorated with fresh flowers and candles. The food tables were adorned with a centerpiece of spring flowers and silver candelabras. The wedding cake was a five tiered cascade decorated with fresh spring flowers. In the background of this setting was a beautiful white birdcage with two white doves, greenery, and tulle. The groom's cake was chocolate accented with a unique cascade of fresh fruit. In this background, a brass three-tiered lantern was staged with greenery and ferns. The guest enjoyed this special occasion with entertainment by the band, "Just On Time."

The bride and groom were honored at several showers and parties during their engagement.

On Jan. 29, a bride shower was given at the home of Mrs. Angela Parker. Hostesses for the shower were: Mrs. Walkamia Parker, Mrs. Nyoka Bowdoin, Mrs. Debra Jones,



Mr. and Mrs. Kiep Johnson. A lovely bridesmaid's luncheon was held at Gabriels in Opp on Sept. 15 at twelve noon. The meal included baked chicken, tossed salad, rolls, green beans and fudge. Following a wedding trip to Gatlinburg, Mrs. and Mrs. Kiep Johnson now reside in Opp.

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Student Spotlight



by Francie English
Name: Aaron Baxley
Parents: Danny and Laura Baxley
Age: 16
Grade: 11th
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite music: Rock and Techno
Clubs/Activities: Band
Interests/Hobbies: Playing the drums

Personal quote: "Don't be a kick box."

Aaron Baxley was chosen to be in this week's student spotlight.

Aaron's favorite subject in school is band because he enjoys playing the drums.

The one thing that he likes most about Elba High School is all the memories and traditions that there are at EHS.

After Aaron graduates, he plans on either attending college or going into the service.

His most memorable moment at school was when he got the Most Improved Player award.

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Tiger Tales

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TIGER BRIEFS

Sports Medicine Speaker

by Leonie Mallory

On Thursday, Nov. 16, some of the Elba High School Senior class attended an assembly about careers in Athletic Training. John H. Anderson, chairman of the department of sports medicine at Troy State University, was the speaker. Mr. Anderson encouraged students to consider careers in Athletic Training. He stated that there are many types of jobs for people who have majored in this field. He also said that Troy State University is one of the only accredited schools for Athletic Training in the State of Alabama. All in all, Mr. Anderson helped enlighten the students about Athletic Training and other types of sports medicine.

AIDS Assembly

by Alan Head

On Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, an assembly was given at Elba High School to address the importance and awareness of the AIDS virus. At the assembly, Counselor Mike Carnely opened with a short speech on AIDS awareness and some precautions that people can use in dealing with the AIDS virus. A melancholy mood was then cast over both assemblies by the showing of a video, telling the life stories of people who have AIDS and the slow painful death they face. In closing the assembly, Mr. Carnely gave some facts on AIDS and then tested the students knowledge by asking questions concerning the material of which he had just shown at both assemblies. Each student was offered a greater realization and understanding of the seriousness of the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

EES: Books On Parade



by Katie Crowe

101 Dalmatians, Where the Wild Things Are, Peter Pan, the Cat in the Hat, why were all of these characters from different books seen walking the halls of Elba Elementary School last week? The students of EES were celebrating Children's Book Week. All of the children and teachers were asked to dress up as their favorite character from any book. At a certain time of the day, each grade was introduced to Mrs. Rachel Baxter who read a story to the class. During this time, the students were allowed to come forward and announce which character they dressed up as. The day was considered a great success by all!!

Elba Elementary School Menu

Dec. 18 & 19, 2000

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

EHS Student's Adventures In Washington

by Chelsea Cooper

On the week of Nov. 14-19, I attended the Congressional Youth Leadership Conference in Washington D.C.

While the town of Elba slept at two in the morning on Tuesday, Nov. 14, my house was stirring with last-minute packing, my mother worrying, and me complaining about the sleep I was not getting. My father rode with me down to the airport in Fort Walton to catch my six o'clock flight. I never did get the logic of me driving south so I could fly north, but I was on my way so I didn't complain. I was listening to "Freebird" when I took off because I thought that if the plane went down that was the way to go. After a two-hour layover in Atlanta, I flew into Dulles airport thoroughly confused about where to pick up my luggage. After the retrieval of my bags, a member of the Congressional Youth Leadership Conference's staff greeted me. The first day was filled with meeting new people and an introduction to what the week was going to involve. The conference was divided into caucuses, committees, Republican leadership, and Democratic leadership. I was placed in Caucus G, a Democratic caucus, with an instructor named Vic. On Wednesday, our caucus prepared and acted the presidential simulation, where the caucus members play the role of the president and his staff, visited the embassy of Finland, ate at the Union Station, then met with political experts for a question and answer panel. That night we toured the Jefferson Memorial and the Lincoln Memorial. Thursday was our day on Capitol Hill. A Congressman spoke to us from Oklahoma on the floor of the House of Representatives, and we were then allowed to roam through the Library of Congress and the Supreme Court. We each met with our respective senators and congressman and/or their staff. That night we held our Supreme Court simulation in which I played the role of a lawyer. Friday we ate breakfast with members of the press and spoke with them about current issues and what it was like to cover them. We then visited Arlington National Cemetery and watched the changing of the guards. That night we prepared for our biggest simulation, model congress, by putting our caucus's amendment through committees and lobbying for it in the different caucuses. Saturday was model congress where our amendment passed with huge bipartisan support. Our group was very happy with the results. We then dined at the Smithsonian and were given three hours to tour whatever we wished. That night was our farewell dance, which was held on a boat as we floated down the Potomac. Well, I've given the facts about places I visited and people who talked to us, but the best thing of all was that people I had the greatest roommates who were both from New York. Everyone thought my accent was so funny. They would call home and make me talk to parents, friends, boyfriends, and girlfriends just so they could hear the way I spoke. I had a wonderful time and would love to go back.



Chelsea Cooper

Consider this fact: teen drivers are involved in more sleep-related accidents than any other segment of the population. According to the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, of the estimated 100,000 car crashes a year linked to drowsy driving, almost half involved drivers 15 to 24. Simply knowing this doesn't help. You have to do something about it. Here are a few tips to help make sure you get the sleep you need.

- Try to go to bed every night at the same time.
- On the weekends, try not to vary your normal sleep routine too much.
- Limit the amount of caffeine you consume.
- Exercise regularly, but no more than 4 hours before bedtime.
- Take a nap if you need to.
- Learn to unwind.
- Don't fall asleep watching TV. It makes it harder to fall into a deep sleep.
- Additional weekend sleep does not offset the effects of sleep deprivation.

Teens Aren't Getting Enough Sleep

by Amanda Beerenstrauch

Are you getting enough sleep? Recently there have been several news stories about teens and their physiological need for sleep. A new study shows that on average, teens are getting about two hours less of

sleep than they need. A poll released from the National Sleep Foundation confirms that teens are staying up too late and waking up too early. Teens have no idea how much sleep they require. For optimal functioning, teens need 9 hours and 15 minutes of sleep said researcher Mary Carskadon. "Many teens are so sleepy that they are operating in 'a kind of twilight zone.' The term zombie is a pretty accurate description. Some kids say that when they sleep a lot, they feel even worse. What they are doing is actually called sleep inertia. It really tells how a person feels after an adequate amount of sleep. Teens need to get enough sleep over a two-or-three-week period."

Most teens don't realize the importance of sleep. We live in a society that doesn't value sleep. It's the last thing we worry about. Sleep is the one activity that takes up the most time and where you accomplish the least. It simply isn't a priority for most teens. But it should be. Students who are tired are more likely to doze off in class and are less able to concentrate, learn, and solve problems. Plus, too little sleep can make teens grumpy, irritable, and even depressed. But that's the least of the problems.

It has been several weeks, and citizens of the United States are still unsure of who the next President will be. Florida, as well as those who are counting and recounting the ballots, has been the topic of many conversations. Aggravated by the whole situation, many just wish the election would come to an agreeable solution. Students and teachers were recently asked to comment on the situation. They replied as follows:

Jeremy Sasser - "This is what happens when you leave politics to politicians."

Hunter Branch - "Charlton Heston is my President."

Katie Grimes - "I think it's a shame that Vice President Gore has been unable to accept defeat. I'm ready for them to stop counting imaginary votes and declare Governor Bush President."

Benjamin Dye - "Gore needs to give up and give it over to Bush. The American people have waited too long."

Kesia Blenn - "Nader all the way."

Amber Norris - "I think we should cut Florida from the Union."

Mrs. N. Clark - "I wish Gore would let it rest, accept defeat, and let our country move on."

Menda Coleman - "I think that Bush will win, but won't be re-elected because of the poor job he is going to do while in office."

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Local citizens may obtain the scholarship forms at MacArthur State Technical College in the student services, financial aid or administration offices. The scholarships are targeted for persons wishing to enroll Jan. 2, in the following programs at the college:

Air Conditioning/Refrigeration Technology, Communications Electronics, Drafting and Design Technology, Industrial Electronics, Welding, Automotive Mechanics, Diesel Mechanics and Computer Sciences.

Applicants must return signed copies of the "Letter of Intent" and the "Letter of Recommendation" by Dec. 19. They may mail the forms to Alabama Technical Scholarship Committee, One Technology Court, Montgomery, AL 36116-3200, or fax the forms to 334-242-0299.

Governor Don Siegelman has established a fund to provide scholarships for technical training throughout the state offered by

public and private facilities. These scholarships are available to any student in need of financial assistance who is currently enrolled or planning to enroll in the coming year in selected technical training programs. Persons interested in applying should visit or call Wanda Bass at 493-3573, ext. 238, or Susan Dee at extension 260 prior to Dec. 19.



IN THE SPIRIT OF GIVING... AT&T Cable was a prime example of giving during the holidays on Friday, Dec. 8, when Bill Miller (r), system technician, and Robbie Weeks (l), installer, delivered a truckload of toys to the Elba Recreation Center. Each year, AT&T donates toys for the children of Elba to help those who are less fortunate have a Merry Christmas. Miller and Weeks delivered the toys to the recreation department as a part of the ongoing "Operation Santa Claus" project.

Government help is available to help pay energy bills

Is your heating bill too expensive for your budget? If so, information in a new booklet might help.

The Financial Assistance Network in Washington, DC has just published a booklet, "How To Get Government Help To Pay Your

Energy Bills". The booklet gives information on how and where to get government help to pay your heating bills. The federal government has budgeted over one billion dollars to help people who are struggling to pay their heating bills. Many people do not know that this money is available or how to get it," says Edmund Billings, a researcher at Financial Assistance Network. "We've published a booklet that explains the program and tells consumers where to apply for assistance in their area. The booklet also has a special section for homeowners to get up to \$25,000 of government money help reduce their energy bills, even if they have no equity in their home."

Consumers can receive a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Financial Assistance Network, Government Help For Energy Bills Dept GHEB-1208, P.O. Box 60848, Washington, DC 20039-0848. Consumers can also get information by calling 202-595-1027 or by visiting Financial Assistance Network's Internet web site: www.FinancialAssistanceNetwork.org

ESJC News

Enterprise State Junior College is expanding course offerings over the Internet this Spring Semester. Microcomputer Applications I and II, Western Civilization I and II, History of World Religions will again be offered. Joining them will be Art Appreciation, English Composition, World Regional Geography, Music Appreciation and General Psychology. Internet courses are a great way to get college credit in the comfort and convenience of your own home. These courses do require some on-campus time, but that is kept to a minimum. For more information about these and other courses offered this Spring Semester, call the main campus at 334-393-ESJC, the Ft. Rucker campus at 334-598-3438, or visit the ESJC website at www.esjc.cc.al.us. Spring semester classes begin January 8.

Spring Semester registration is underway at Enterprise State Junior College just in time for Christmas! Tuition paid for a favorite student would be the perfect gift under the tree this year. Spring semester classes will begin on January 8. For more information, call the main campus at 334-393-ESJC, ext. 234, the Ft. Rucker campus at 334-598-3438, or visit the ESJC website at www.esjc.cc.al.us.

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THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Grabbing meals on the run has always been a problem at our house since we seem to always be coming or going, but that problem has been lessened at least a little in recent weeks since Melanie has learned how to cook her own scrambled eggs. She has always liked scrambled egg sandwiches, and now it is common to see her at the stove any time of the day or night whipping up some eggs for a meal, or just a snack. It looks like some kitchen help is on the way!

TAKING A FREE FEEL SHOTS....

*** The Elba Tigers upped their record to 3-1 last week with wins over Opp and New Brockton, and while it may be true the Tigers aren't as dominating as a year ago, this year's team battles hard every minute it is on the court and seems to always keep the games exciting. The Tigers trailed by seven points in the second half against Opp before rallying late to pull out a 3-point win, while in the 2-point win over New Brockton the Tigers led all the way before having to turn back a late Gamecocks surge. Elba's surprising 3-1 record is a credit to Coach Bledsole and his players, and hopefully is just a preview of things to come.

One of the biggest surprises thus far in the young season has been the play of juniors Tim Andrews and John Mitchell. Both of the youngsters are 6'3" and can jump out of the gym, and so far in the season they have combined to give the Tigers a solid 1-2 punch inside. Mitchell has scored in double figures in all four games and has averaged 17 points a game, while Andrews has come to life after scoring only 1 point in the season-opener and in the last three games has averaged over 12 points a game. If these two book-end big men can keep it up, they could help lead the Tigers to another winning season.

*** The teams around the area have all started their seasons and it looks like more of the same in the world of round-ball. The Brantley Bulldogs started late due to the football playoffs, but blasted county rival Luverne Friday night and appear to be as good as ever, while Zion Chapel grabbed a big win over Arton and got a much needed shot of confidence in the process. New Brockton lost to Enterprise and Elba, but showed heart and a true desire to win in the narrow loss to the Tigers, and down in Kinston the Bulldogs continued to play well, despite losing to arch rival New Brockton. I look for all of the teams in the area to get better and better as the season rolls along, and think it will be an exciting year for the players and their fans.

*** It was quite a week for the Elba Junior High basketball teams as the three teams posted a combined record of 6-1 in what has already been a banner season. The 8th grade Tigers posted wins over Zion Chapel, Enterprise and Dauphin to improve their record to 9-4, while the 8th grade Lady Tigers also moved their record to 9-4 with wins over Zion Chapel and Enterprise, and a loss to Dauphin. The 7th grade Tigers remained undefeated at 9-0 with a blow-out win over Zion Chapel, and for the season the three teams now boast a combined record of 27-8. Yep, it has been quite a season for Coach Weeks, Coach Collins and their players.

*** The 18th annual Dothan Progress/Dothan Eagle Holiday Prep Classic will be held on Dec. 26-29 at the Dothan Civic Center, with 16 high school basketball teams from all across the Tri-State area taking part. This year's event includes such teams as four-time defending champ Randolph Clay, of Cuthbert, Georgia; Florida small school power Malone, and Alabama teams: Goshen, Abbeville, Dothan, Northview, Enterprise, Carroll, Eufrasia, Headland, Geneva, Rehobeth, Ashford, Houston Academy, Pleasant Home and Daleville. While the overall talent level doesn't appear to be as strong as in years past, it should be quite an event, and will give the players and their fans a lot of media exposure.

*** I checked the NFL statistics page last week on the internet and discovered that Elba's Ronald McKinnon was the second leading tackler in the entire National Football League. McKinnon has been the leading tackler for the Arizona Cardinals for the past three seasons, but has never received credit from the press because of the fact the Cardinals have constantly struggled just to post a winning record. This season McKinnon has recorded 103 tackles, 34 assists, 3 sacks and recovered 1 fumble to rank behind Tampa Bay's Derrick Brooks. Hopefully the folks in the NFL will also take notice and make the former Elba Tiger standout a Pro Bowl selection. He is definitely deserving of the honor.

*** I peeked at the college Bowl line-up last week, and while there will be a total of 30 games on the tube to watch in the coming weeks, there were only a few that interested me at all. I may watch some of the Mobile Bowl just to see what kind of team TCU has, will probably try to watch Nebraska and Northwestern in the Alamo Bowl, will watch Auburn and Michigan in the Citrus Bowl, and will try to catch the Sugar Bowl between Florida and Miami and the Orange Bowl between Florida State and Oklahoma. Other matchups that I definitely plan to ignore include UNLV and Arkansas in the Las Vegas Bowl, Boston College and Arizona State in the Aloha Bowl, Marshall and Cincinnati in the Motor City Bowl, Boise State and UTEP in the Humanitarian Bowl, Minnesota and North Carolina State in the Microphone Bowl, Iowa State and Pitt in the Insight.com Bowl, Colorado State and Louisville in the Liberty Bowl, Fresno State and Air Force in the Silicon Valley Classic, and Oregon State and Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl. This year the "duds" outnumber the "real" bowl games by a long shot.

*** The Alabama High School Athletic Association held its "Super Six" finals last week, and from the results it looked like maybe the best year ever for the state football finals. Hazlewood and Clay County took home the crowns in 1A and 2A as expected, while Aliceville made a real statement in pounding Colbert County 50-7 in the 3A finals. T.R. Miller continued to prove that pride and class was a winning combination by taking the 4A title, and in 5A it was a true classic as Homewood edged past Benjamin Russell in 5 overtimes 41-34. The 6A finals saw Birmingham's Hoover end the perfect season of Daphne. I agree that the finals should be held on neutral fields, but I still don't like the finals up in Birmingham at the dinosaur called Legion Field. I know that money talks, but it would be great to let the finals travel to Mobile, Auburn and Tuscaloosa so that everyone could get a chance to experience the excitement.

*** In closing...we at the Recreation Department will be putting in long hours this week getting ready for Operation Santa Claus, and if anyone might wish to help, or bring in a toy or two, stop on by and find out more about this community project. It might just help you get in the holiday spirit.

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Improve record to 3-1

Tigers turn back 'Brockton 60-58

The Elba Tigers pulled out to an early lead and then survived a furious New Brockton rally to ease past the Gamecocks 60-58, Saturday night in New Brockton.

The win upped Elba's record to 3-1, while New Brockton slipped to 1-4 with the loss.

A tip-in by Elba's Marcus Henderson with 4:18 remaining in the

opening stanza snapped an early tie and gave the Tigers a 6-4 lead, while John Mitchell and Tim Andrews followed with easy baskets inside as Elba's lead went to 10-4 with 3:29 left in the quarter. New Brockton closed to within 12-8 with 2:18 left in the quarter on a jumper by Travis Slawson; however, the Tigers continued to pound

the ball inside on the offensive end the court, and used 10-0 baskets by John Mitchell to pull out to a 16-8 advantage by the end of the first quarter.

A three-pointer by Daniel Roberts sparked a 5-0 Gamecock run early in the second stanza as New Brockton cut the Elba lead to 16-13 with 7:00 remaining in the half, and the Gamecocks got as close as 17-15 with 6:33 left in the quarter on a bucket by Travis Slawson. John Mitchell scored five straight points for the Tigers inside as Elba upped its lead to 22-15, and the Tigers then appeared ready to blow the game open as they went on a 6-0 run, and grabbed a 28-17 lead on a jumper by Derrick Brooks with 3:49 still remaining in the half. Elba's lead stood at 32-21 with 4:0 remaining after a Tim Andrews bucket, but the Gamecocks' Daniel Roberts nailed another long range three-pointer with 1:19 left, and Jeremy Meeks scored from inside at the buzzer, as New Brockton cut the Elba lead to 32-26 at the half.

Elba moved back on top 40-30 with 5:18 left in the third quarter on an inside basket by Tim Andrews, and took its biggest lead of the night at 44-32 with 3:05 remaining in the stanza on a driving lay-up by Marcus Henderson. The Gamecocks called a time-out in an attempt to slow the Tiger run, and did just that, as New Brockton's Travis Slawson scored seven points in a 9-0 Tiger run that enabled the Gamecocks to close to within 44-41 by the end of the quarter.

Elba's John Mitchell and Tim Andrews scored from inside early in the fourth quarter as the Tigers moved out to a 48-41 advantage, and the Tigers remained in command for most of the stanza as they

owned a 54-46 lead with only 2:19 left after a bucket by Andrews. Three-pointers by New Brockton's Travis Slawson and Ryan Kinsaul sparked a Gamecock rally that cut the Elba lead to 57-54 with 1:27 remaining. However, Elba hit 3 of 4 free-throws in the final 26, and held on to escape the Gamecock gym with an exciting 60-58 win.

John Mitchell poured in 25 points to lead Elba, while Derrick Brooks added 12. Travis Slawson scored 20 points to lead the Gamecocks and Daniel Roberts added 16.

EL 16 17 11 16 - 60
NB 10 16 15 17 - 58

Elba (60): Barnes 4, Head 3, Andrews 9, Henderson 7, Brooks 12, Mitchell 25.
NB (58): Kinsaul 8, Roberts 16, Meeks 6, Slawson 20, Danford 4, Foster 2, Edwards 2.

(B GAME)

The Elba B team saw its record slip to 0-3 with a 34-29 loss to New Brockton. The Tigers fell behind 10-6 in the opening stanza, but refused to quit and by the end of the third quarter had cut the Gamecock lead to 22-20. New Brockton pulled ahead early in the final stanza; however, and held on to defeat the Tigers 34-29.

Tim Daniels scored 8 points to lead Elba, while Hart and Anderson both scored 8 points for the Gamecocks.

N.B. (34): Pearson 2, Hart 8, Allison 2, Harbuck 4, Smith 6, Anderson 8, Owens 4.

Elba (29): Skinner 3, Wade 3, Gavin 6, Daniels 8, Allen 3, Reynolds 6.

Zion Chapel to host Christmas Tournament on Dec. 18-19

Zion Chapel High School will host its annual "Zion Chapel Christmas Basketball Tournament" on Monday and Tuesday, December 18-19, at the Zion Chapel gym, with four boys teams and three girls teams competing.

The tournament will tip-off on Monday, Dec. 18, at 5:00, with the Elba Lady Tigers going up against the Arton Lady Cats, in opening round action of the Girl's Division. The Boy's Division will then hit the court for the final two games of the day, with the Elba Tigers battling the G.W. Long Rebels at 6:30, and the Zion Chapel Rebels facing the Arton Purple Cats at 8:00.

The tournament will wrap up on Tuesday, Dec. 19, with the Boy's Division consolation game set for 5:00. The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels will meet the winner of the Elba-Arton game at 6:30 in the Girl's Division championship, while the Boy's Division championship will follow at 8:00.

Admission to the tournament is only \$3 adults and \$2 students, and all area basketball fans are encouraged to attend and support high school basketball.

HIGH SCHOOL & JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL SCHEDULES

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14
Elba Junior at Andalusia (5:00) 7B, 8G, 8B
Andalusia Christmas Tournament
SEAC Tournament, in Luverne

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15
Zion Chapel at G.W. Long (5:00) B, V.G. VB
Kinston at Florida (4:30) B, V.G. VB
Andalusia Christmas Tournament
SEAC Tournament, in Luverne
Geneva County Tournament, in Samson

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16
Andalusia Christmas Tournament
Geneva County Tournament, in Samson
SEAC Tournament, in Luverne

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18
Fleeta at Kinston Junior (4:00) 7B, 8G, 8B
Zion Chapel Christmas Tournament

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19
Zion Chapel Christmas Tournament

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21
Brantley at Elba (4:30) B, V.G. VB

SPORTS

Improve record to 4-2

Lady Tigers grill Gamecocks 57-24

The Elba Lady Tigers pulled ahead late in the opening stanza and posted their best Saturday night as they pounded the New Brockton Lady Gamecocks 57-24, in New Brockton.

The win improved Elba's record to 4-2, while New Brockton slipped

Lady Tigers lose late to Opp 42-40

The Elba Lady Tigers converted only 9 of 21 free-throws in the fourth quarter last Tuesday night to allow the Opp Lady Bobcats to rally and tie the game at 42-40 in Opp.

Neither team could find the basket in the opening stanza as Opp crept out to a slim 5-4 advantage, but the Lady Tigers began to pick up the pace in the second stanza and sparked by the scoring of Roshanda McKinnon rallied to go in at the half with a 16-14 lead. Freshman Ayonna Proctor led the Elba charge in the third quarter as the Lady Tigers increased their lead to 28-22. However, the Lady Tigers hit only 9 of 21 free-throws in the final stanza, and Opp took advantage of Elba's struggles from the foul line to rally and claim the 42-40 win.

Roshanda McKinnon scored 12 points and LaGina Mack added 11 to lead the Lady Tigers, while Campbell led Opp with 20 points.

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E 4 12 12 13 - 40

Opp (42): Musgrave 3, Mikel 6, H. Crittenden 6, Campbell 20, K. Crittenden 1, Osborn 6.
Elba (40): McKinnon 12, Mack 11, Proctor 7, Ware 5, Lawford 3, Kilcrease 2.

Elba 8th grade Tigers claim three big wins to improve record to 9-4

The Elba 8th grade Tigers hit the court three times last week and posted three impressive wins to push their record for the season to 9-4.

The Tigers opened the week's action with a 55-23 win over Zion Chapel, then avenged early-season losses by defeating Enterprise Junior 53-38 and Dauphin Junior 44-40.

Following are highlights of the three Elba wins:

ELBA 55
Z.C. 23

The Elba Tigers pulled ahead early and then pulled away to thump Zion Chapel 55-23, in Elba. The Tigers owned an 11-4 lead after one quarter, then went on a 17-3 run in the second stanza to open up a big 28-7 halftime bulge. Elba's lead ballooned to 40-12 in the third quarter, and the Tiger reserves mopped up the easy 55-23 win.

Clark Skinner and Jessie Thigpen both scored 14 points to lead Elba, while Zane Hall added 11 and Brandon Kelley scored 10. J. Smith scored 9 points to lead Zion Chapel.

Elba (55): Skinner 14, Kelley 10, Hall 11, Foshee 6, Thigpen 14, Z.C. (23): Taylor 6, Smith 2, J. Smith 9, Wise 1, Sanders 5.

ELBA 53
E'PRISE 38

The Elba Tigers pulled ahead in the second quarter and pulled away in the second half to claim an impressive 53-38 win over Enterprise Junior, in Elba. The Tigers trailed 10-9 after one quarter, but

Jessie Thigpen scored 17 points and Brandon Kelley added 16 to lead Elba, while Love scored 12 to lead Dauphin.

Elba (46): Hill 3, Williams 4, Gully 4, Rogers 3, Stoudemire 9, Cooks 9, Carr 2, Robinson 6, Johnson 2, Kelley 2.

Z.C. (38): Harley 4, Childs 1, Culver 2.

Dauphin (40): Couch 6, Grooms 4, Nelson 11, Sitze 5, Love 12, Stevenson 2.

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COMMUNITY NEWS



Coffee County 4-H represented Alabama at the National 4-H Livestock Judging Competition in Louisville, Kentucky in November. Shown sitting from left are: Ashley Green, Ann Scheffer and Kendal Amis. Standing from left are: County Agent Stan Windham, Andy Waddall and Bob Ebert, Youth Animal Scientist, Auburn University.

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Lesia DuBose to graduate from TSUD

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Joe Flowers of Jack, Ala., announce the upcoming graduation of their daughter, Lesia DuBose, of Ozark, from Troy State University Dothan on Sunday, Dec. 17, at 2 p.m. at the Dothan Civic Center.

Lesia will graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration with management information systems major.

Lesia is a single parent of three children who returned to school in 1995 to earn



Lesia DuBose

Continuing Education Courses at MacArthur State Technical College

The Workforce Development and Continuing Education program at Douglas MacArthur State Technical College will offer the following Continuing Education courses Spring Semester 2001.

PC Applications
This beginner course introduces users to the world of computing and computer applications in a business-oriented environment. Included in the course is an overview of Windows 95/98, Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook. Students enrolling in this course should be familiar with the keyboard and have adequate keyboarding skills. This course will be taught on Monday nights from 5:30 until 8:30 for 12 weeks. Class begins January 22, 2001. The cost of the course is \$100 for tuition. There will be additional costs for books and supplies. For more information or to register, please contact Cindy Clark (334) 493-3573, ext. 244.

Exploring the Internet
This is a seven-week course that offers basic Internet skills including working with browsers, searching and downloading information from the Web and using E-Mail. Students must have prior Windows 95 or 98 experience, be able to navigate through Windows and have adequate

News from ESJC

You can learn the Latin dances with Enterprise State Junior College's Social Dance (Basic Latin) course. Prior dance instruction is required for this course, and registration is accepted only if you have a partner. Classes will be held on Mondays, January 8th through March 19, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in ESJC's Student Center Multipurpose Room. There is a \$94.00 per couple fee, and the registration deadline is January 2. Register early for there is a 10 couple limit for the course. For more information call 334-393-ESJC, ext. 234.

Tune up with non-impact exercise through Enterprise State Junior College's Leisure Swimming. Participants have the opportunity to maintain fitness through swimming in the College's indoor pool during select times set aside just for them. This spring semester the pool will be available beginning January 11 for approximately 20 hours per week. The fee for individual participants is \$40.00 and \$55.00 for families. There is no registration deadline; participants may sign up at any time during the semester. For more information call 334-393-ESJC, ext. 234.

Challenge your creativity with Pottery Shoppe! This special interest course at Enterprise State Junior College is designed for adults who have had no experience with clay as well as for those who have worked with clay in the past. Each student will complete at least one piece of slab-built pottery and must purchase clay and tools for \$20.00 at the first session. Dothan pottery master David Plunkett will be teaching this course which will be held on Mondays, 5:30-7:30 p.m. January 22nd through February 26. The registration deadline is January 16. There is a \$30.00 fee for the course. For more information, call 334-393-ESJC, ext. 234.

Computers for Seniors is a special interest class to be held in the first of three sessions at Enterprise State Junior College this spring semester. It is designed for older adults who want to be computer literate. Participants will learn to efficiently use a computer keyboard, how to use a word processing program, how to create a data base, and how to understand the use of spreadsheets. They should bring a 3 1/2" disk to the first class. There is a \$40.00 fee for this course, and the registration deadline is January 16. Classes will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays, January 22nd through February 26. For more information, call 334-393-ESJC, ext. 234.

MacArthur offers introduction to Internet seminar

This is an introduction seminar that offers basic Internet knowledge and skills including Internet terminology, working with browsers and searching the Internet. Topics covered include: Search Engines, Web Browsers, Web pages, URL's, Service Provider, equipment required for Internet and how to search the Web efficiently. Anyone interested in the seminar should have prior Windows 95 or 98 experience, be able to navigate through Windows and have adequate keyboarding skills. This one-day seminar will be held on Saturday, January 20, 2001 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., and on Saturday, April 21, 2001 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The cost of the one-day seminar is \$30.00 per participant. Anyone interested in registering for this seminar on either date should contact Cindy Clark at (334) 493-3573, ext. 244 at MacArthur State Technical College.



A BRASSY CHRISTMAS...Several students from the Elba Elementary School band are pictured above with members of the Tower Brass Quintet. The Quintet performed at Elba High School on the evening of Dec. 2. The performance was presented by the Coffee County Arts Alliance. Those pictured above are only a small portion of the students who attended this special Christmas concert.

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EIGHTH GRADE

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NINTH GRADE

TINA HALL, KAYLA KENNEDY, ALLEN STEVENS

TENTH GRADE

MISTI FRAZIER, HILLARY GODWIN, AMY WALKER

ELEVENTH GRADE

ADAM DUBOSE, TYRELL KNIGHTEN

TWELFTH GRADE

AMBER COMPTON, BRETT ELMORE, HALEY MITCHELL, JOHN BARRY ROBERTS, JESSICA SMITH

A's & B's

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MEGAN BIGGS, TERRENCE BURNETT, ZEB CHANDLER, PAIGE COOK, PEYTON DAVIS, LAVONTE GULLEY, AUSTIN HUDSON, SHAKELIA JOHN-

SON, MAURINA MCCLAIN, AUSTIN MORGAN, HEATHER OWENS, NICKAYLA PITMAN, SHANEQUA PRUITT, ERIN RHODES, JOHN RUSS, TAYLOR TEW, DESTINY TILLERY, JARED WILEY, ZACHARY WILEY

SECOND GRADE

ADRIANA ALEJO, QUINTON BURNETT, JERRET CALLAWAY, CLINT FREE, MATTHEW MESSICK, TYLER MOORE, CHELSEA MOSELEY, ISAAC OLIVER, KARINA RESENDEZ, QVALEE, SANDERS, TYLER

SEVENTH GRADE

JANA BECK, SHANE CORLEY, KELSEY MCCRAY, SHAWN NELSON, KATRESA OWENS, ERIC PATNEAU, ROSANNA WANTLAND, WESTLEY WITHERINGTON, SHAQUIRA WOOD

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NICKI BAILEY, ANTHONY COOK, MARIE DANIELS, AMBER HALL, AUSTIN HARDIN, HILLARY HUDSON, CHLOUITA JOHNSON, BRETT KELLEY, LINDSEY MCNAVY, AUSTIN MITCHELL, COLE MITCHELL, DILLON MOTES, MACY OWENS, TYRONE PERSON, TIFFANY STEVENS, CHAN WILLIAMSON

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TENTH GRADE

NICHOLAS ARCHIE, RICKY BECK, MORGAN BUSH, TRISTA COMPTON, TIERRA MCCLAIN, MISTY POWELL, PERRY SEALEY, TERESA WATSON

ELEVENTH GRADE

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JARROD BOLLING, PATRICK BOYCE, TRACY COMPTON, DARYL CROWE, TYLER GRIF-FIN, LACY JOHNSON, SAMANTHA MANNING, NECITA MITCHELL, SHAYLA STAMPS, SHALANDA STOUTAMIRE, TRACY WARRICK



MacArthur State Nursing Faculty - (front row) Bonnie Tillery, Lab Instructor; Debra Clark, LPN Instructor; (back row) Sara Goolsby, Director of Nursing; Felicia Stallworth, LPN Instructor; Monica Cauley, LPN Instructor. Not Pictured: Clinical Associates Mary Dugan, Joan Mills, Stephanie Dupree; Maternal Health Consultant Jan Wiggins.

MacArthur nursing students score high on national exam

Practical nursing licensure examination results from July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000, indicate that MacArthur State Technical College had the highest percentage of graduates passing the exam in Alabama.

According to the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nursing (NCLEX-PN), MacArthur graduates had an average pass rate of 97.6 percent.

Director of Nursing Sara Goolsby attributes much of the graduates' success to the high standards of the program and the dedication of the faculty. The incorporation of computer-aided instruction (CAI) modules and NCLEX review software has also benefited the graduates' success.

Graduates of nursing programs must successfully complete a computerized national exam to obtain a license. The Alabama College Association Journal recently featured MacArthur State nursing faculty for their new nursing curriculum that includes Internet research, CAI modules, and outstanding state board pass rates. "CAI's enhance learning from instruction received in all nursing duty, and hospice."

MacArthur offers a Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) program and 17 other technical programs. Job opportunities for LPN's include working in hospitals, nursing homes, physicians' offices, schools, civil service, military service, home health industry, private duty, and hospice.



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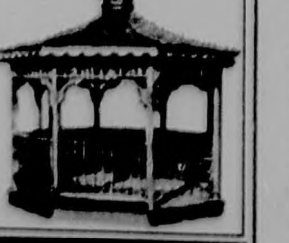
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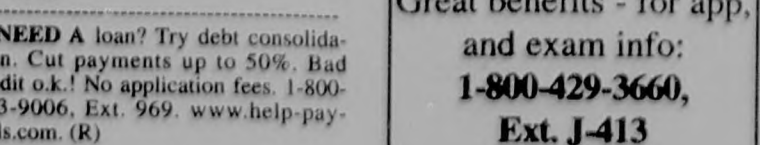
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COMMUNITY NEWS



THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS...The New Season's Study Club culminated the "Adopt an Angel for Christmas" project with a Christmas party honoring the foster children of the community. Pictured are the honored children with Santa and the members of New Season's Study Club.

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Elba COC sponsoring \$2001 giveaway at New Year's celebration

Make plans now to spend New Year's Eve on the Courthouse Square in downtown Elba. The Elba Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring the second annual "Countdown at the Courthouse" on Sunday, Dec. 31.

Plans are underway to ring out the old and ring in the new with a big celebration. The event is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. on the Courthouse Square. There will be entertainment by local musicians, cloggers, drama teams and singers. In addition, there will be children's activities and various refreshments available for those in attendance.

At the stroke of midnight, a lighted ball will drop from the top of the courthouse. A fireworks display will begin and hundreds of balloons will be released.

As an added feature this year, everyone who purchases a commemorative Elba Christmas ornament will have a ticket entered into a drawing for \$2,001. After the stroke of midnight, a name will be drawn and a lucky winner will be awarded the money. Ornaments are \$15 each and will make perfect Christmas gifts. The ornaments are available at many locations in town, including Bradley's Florist & Gifts, Briar Patch, Denise's Hair & Nail Salon, Head 2 Toe Salon, Jewel Box, Peoples Bank, SouthTrust Bank and Kleiner's. This year's ornament depicts the historic Pea River Bridge.

Make your plans now to be in Elba on the Courthouse Square to celebrate the beginning of the new year. For further information regarding the New Year's Celebration, please contact the Elba Chamber of Commerce at 897-3125.

MacArthur to offer Continuing Education courses on the EHS campus

Microsoft Word 97

This course is designed to teach the fundamentals of creating professional word processing documents using Microsoft Word. Students learn how to create letters, newsletters, brochures, tables, mail merge, etc., for personal or professional use with the very powerful and easy to use word processing software. Anyone interested in this course must have previous microcomputer experience. This course will be taught on Monday nights from

5:30-8:30 for 12 weeks at Elba High School. Class begins Jan. 22. The cost of the course is \$100 for tuition. There will be additional costs for books and supplies.

PC Applications

This beginner course introduces users to the world of computing and computer applications in a business-oriented environment. Included in the course is an overview of Windows 95/98, Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook.

Students enrolling in this course should be familiar with the keyboard and have adequate keyboarding skills. This course will be taught on Tuesday nights from 5:30-8:30 for 12 weeks at Elba High School. Class begins Jan. 23. The cost of the course is \$100 for tuition. There will be additional costs for books and supplies.

For more information or to register for these courses, contact Cindy Clark, (334) 493-3573, ext. 244.



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The garbage pickup schedule will be as follows during both weeks: Monday's route will be picked up on Tuesday; Tuesday's route will be picked up on Thursday; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday will remain unchanged.

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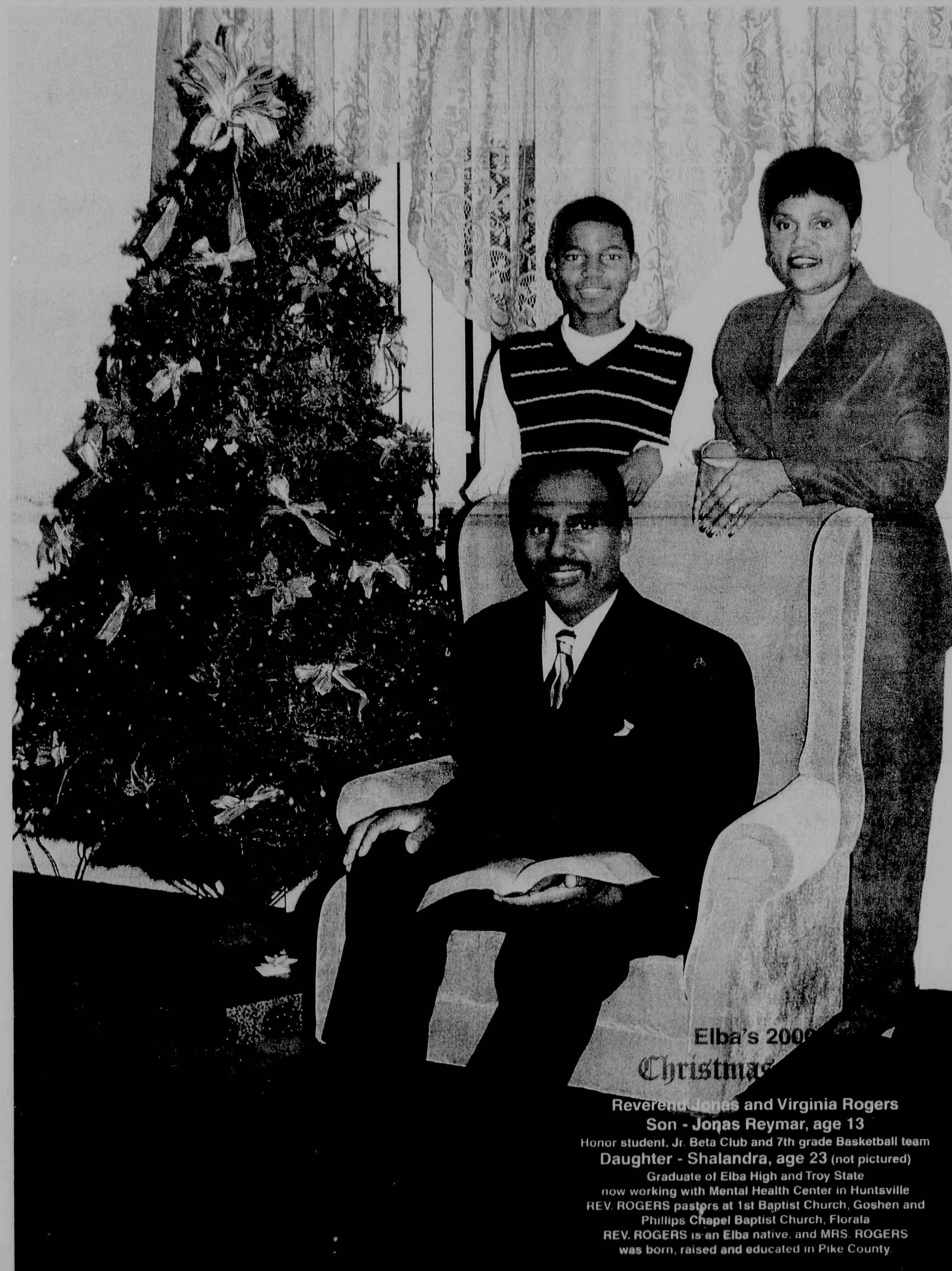
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**Elba's 2000
Christmas**

Reverend Jonas and Virginia Rogers
Son - Jonas Reymar, age 13
Honor student, Jr. Beta Club and 7th grade Basketball team
Daughter - Shalandra, age 23 (not pictured)
Graduate of Elba High and Troy State
now working with Mental Health Center in Huntsville
REV. ROGERS pastors at 1st Baptist Church, Goshen and
Phillips Chapel Baptist Church, Florida
REV. ROGERS is an Elba native, and MRS. ROGERS
was born, raised and educated in Pike County.